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TO USMISSION GENEVA  
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C O N F I D E N T I A L KABUL 8883

GENEVA FOR MR. CAVANAUGH; MANILA FOR US REP ADB; PARIS FOR  
DEA

E. O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: SNAR, SHUM, AF, UK, UN  
SUBJECT: BRITISH INTEREST IN AFGHAN NARCOTICS MATTERS

1. FOR SOME TIME NOW THE BRITISH EMBASSY AT KABUL HAS DISPLAYED  
GREAT INTEREST IN BECOMING INVOLVED IN ANTI-OPIMUM EFFORTS IN  
AFGHANISTAN. THEIR INTEREST WAS REAFFIRMED AT A HIGH LEVEL LAST  
OCTOBER, WHEN THE VISITING DEPUTY UNDERSECRETARY OF STATE OF  
THE U.K.'S FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE, H.A.H. CORTAZZI,  
STATED THAT THE TWO HIGHEST PRIORITY DIPLOMATIC GOALS OF BRITAIN  
IN AFGHANISTAN ARE THE IMPROVEMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND NARCOTICS  
CONTROL.

2. WHEN ASKED RECENTLY BY THE BRITISH WHAT THEY CAN DO TO HELP  
US IN THE ANTI-OPIMUM EFFORT, WE ADVISED: (1) REMAIN ACTIVE DIP-  
LOMATICALLY IN KABUL -- SUCH AS PROPOSING BRITISH-FUNDED CONTROL  
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PROGRAMS AND CONTINUING TO PRESS FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE JOINT  
COMMISSION ON AFGHAN NARCOTICS MATTERS; (2) ASSIST US IN INTER-  
NATIONAL DRUG-CONTROL ORGANIZATIONS, SUCH AS THOSE AT GENEVA;  
AND (3) SUPPORT THE EFFORTS OF US REPRESENTATIVES IN INTER-  
NATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS TO HAVE ANTI-OPIMUM CLAUSES IN-  
CLUDED IN APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS FOR AFGHANISTAN.

3. IN CONNECTION WITH OUR SECOND SUGGESTION, BRITISH FIRST  
SECRETARY ALLAN J.R. RAMSAY SUBSEQUENTLY REQUESTED THAT YOU  
ENDEAVOR TO KEEP MR. JAMES BOTTOMLEY OF THE UK MISSION AT GENEVA  
INFORMED ABOUT NARCOTICS DEVELOPMENTS INVOLVING AFGHANISTAN. HE  
IS BEING INSTRUCTED TO BE OF ASSISTANCE, WHENEVER APPROPRIATE.  
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